

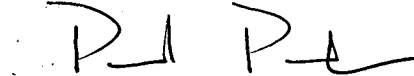
REMARKS

Claims 25-48 are presently pending in this application. In the Office Action dated May 22, 2000, claims 25-28 were rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-27 of U.S. Patent No. 5,993,303. Applicants assume that this is a typographical error and that the Examiner intended to reject claims 25-48 because the Examiner did not allow claims 29-48. Please find enclosed a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.322(c) that establishes the present application and U.S. Patent Number 5,993,303 are commonly owned. This rejection is now moot and should accordingly be withdrawn.

In light of the foregoing, all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants, therefore, request reconsideration of the application and allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner notices any informalities in the claims, he is encouraged to contact Mr. Parker to expediently correct any such informalities.

Respectfully submitted,

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